

# DRAMATIC SCENE IN STATE HOUSE

All Business Suspended When News Reached Legislature that President had Broken Relations

## RESOLUTION TO WASHINGTON

German-American Members, Tears Running down Cheeks Pledge Loyalty to Adopted Country

(From Lincoln Daily Star, Feb. 4th) All differences of nationality and party were forgotten and swept aside when the members of the Nebraska house, acting from a common impulse of patriotism, pledged themselves unanimously, by rising vote, to the support of President Wilson in the new situation which has arisen between the United States and Germany.

Upon the joint motion of Representative Hoffmeister, himself a native of the kaiser's realm and Representative Peterson, the leader of the republican minority, the house Saturday forenoon declared itself unreservedly behind the government of the United States in any measures necessary to protect the rights and interests of American citizens and the honor of the American flag.

Led by Mr. Peterson, the legislature sang "America" and, upon his motion, the chief clerk of the house was instructed to telegraph President Wilson of the action that had been taken. As a further expression of its unity in standing behind the president, the house at 11 o'clock recessed until 1:30 p. m.

**Outburst of Patriotic Feeling**  
A score of speeches voicing the sentiment of undivided allegiance to the stars and stripes, and of loyalty to the government in whatever steps it may deem necessary to maintain American rights and interests were made by different members. Each was followed by loud applause.

The most feeling speech of all was that of Mr. Hoffmeister, when he took the floor to move an amendment to the Lemar-Lampert peace resolution proposed on Friday. His voice shook with emotions as he said:  
"It is with a sad heart that I move the adoption of this resolution. Blood ties have bound me to my mother country, and tears were in my eyes when I stood nine years ago upon the place where I was born. But, gentlemen, this is my country. I have three boys—all six-footers—and if necessary I will give them all to the service of the nation and the defense of our flag. Yesterday I got word that my nephew, who like myself was born across the sea, has just commissioned as a lieutenant in the army of America, and if he is called upon he will go and fight his duty. I hope this resolution will be adopted unanimously."

**Text of the Resolution**  
The resolution which Messrs Hoffmeister and Peterson offered to the resolution introduced Friday and which the house adopted unanimously, is as follows:

"Be it further resolved, that while we are earnest in our desires for continued peace we do as representatives of the state nevertheless pledge to the president of the United States in the crisis at hand the loyal and undivided support of the entire citizenship of the state of Nebraska of whatever blood or place of birth, in whatever measures may be found necessary to maintain the right of Americans, the dignity of our nation and the honor of our flag."

Under the workings of the Lemar-Lampert resolution as proposed Friday the house was asked to memorialize the president and congress to maintain a peaceful attitude and do everything possible to insure the tranquility of the nation. It called upon them "to refuse to be drawn into this world-wide conflict, which in the end means untold suffering and will tend to the humiliation of the entire human race."

### Peace Advocates Join In

Messrs. Lemar and Lampert both joined in the patriotic speechmaking of the forenoon, and made it plain that they, like all the others, were for America and President Wilson in the existing crisis. Lemar said he was of French origin, but he knows no other country than the United States, having fought as a union soldier in the civil war.

Another peace resolution had been offered from the floor earlier in the morning by Representative Olson who is of Swedish extraction. It had gone over as the rules provide. The Olson resolution favored warning American citizens and ships to stay out of the war zones, and declared that this country will not be held responsible for those who do so.

Mr. Olson made a short speech on the Hoffmeister-Peterson amendment in which he said that he still hoped for peace but that he was ready to stand with the others in backing up President Wilson. He believed that in any contingency which might arise there would be "no Swedes, no Germans, no Irish" or other nationalities in this country, but that all would be Americans.

**Thomas Breaks the News**  
The vents at Washington were made known to the house by Mr. Thomas, who was given the floor for that purpose. Complete silence fell upon the chamber as he said:

"This matter is of supreme importance and may forecast war with Germany."  
Mr. Thomas then yielded to Hoffmeister, who presented the amendment that Mr. Peterson had drawn. After Hoffmeister had spoken, Peterson was recognized and said:

"In speaking for those of a different political faith from a President

crisis like this Americans know no party, no interest, which would divide their loyalty to their government and flag. I know, I express the sentiments of every republican, not only in this chamber and in the state of Nebraska, but in the whole United States, from coast to coast and from Canada to the gulf, when I say that republicans will stand behind the president and those protecting the rights of its citizens, the dignity of our country, and the honor of our flag."

**German Members Pledge Loyalty**  
"I was born in Germany and lived there until I was fourteen years old," said Jacob Sasa, representative from Sarpy county. "It is hard for me to break the ties of my native land, but no matter what happens I am for the stars and stripes."

Mr. Greenwalt stated that he was a German, his father having been an officer in the German army, but announced that in spite of everything he was an American. He still saw some chance of keeping out of war, declaring, however, that an American army, fighting in the cause of liberty and justice and backed by 100,000,000 people, would be invincible if it should be necessary to fight.

Others who took part in the patriotic speechmaking were Messrs. Fuller, Neff, Dorsey, Norton, McAllister, Richmond, Taylor, Anderson, Reifnorath, Cronin, Howard and Radke.

Mr. Fuller, who is a civil war veteran, referred to the embarrassment which President Lincoln worked under at the time many people were declaring the war a failure. He did not believe any member of the house would do the slightest thing to embarrass President Wilson in dealing with the situation that confronts the United States now.

"I was a child of 14 when Fort Sumner was fired upon," Mr. Neff told his colleagues and I feel today the same thrill which went through my heart at that time."

**Sidetracked Presidential Bill**  
By a singular coincidence, the house was in committee of the whole discussing a bill to provide for direct voting on president and vice president when the news came that President Wilson had sent Ambassador von Bernstorff home and recalled Ambassador Gerard from Berlin. The bill a nonpartisan measure bearing the names of eight or ten members of both parties, is one intended to eliminate presidential electors from the ballot and have the governor appoint them.

Nothing was done with it after the members got started on the subject of possible war with Germany. It went over as unfinished business to be taken up at the afternoon session.

Representative Hoffmeister, who fathered the declaration pledging support to President Wilson, was born in the German state of Brunswick and came to this country in 1879. His nephew, Herman C. Dempewolf, now in the United States army, was also born in Brunswick and has been in the United States for six years. Neither of them ever served in the German army. Dempewolf has been attached to an engineering corps at Vancouver, Wash., but has been transferred to an infantry regiment at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., with the rank of lieutenant and will soon join it there.

## BURLINGTON OILER LOSES BOTH LEGS

Was Under Car Attempting to Cross Track—Switch Engine Shunted Cars

J. D. Ayers, an oiler employed by the Burlington sustained injuries Thursday evening that made it necessary to amputate both limbs, one just below the knee and the other at the ankle. He is now at St. Joseph's hospital and according to the physician in charge of the case, stands a good show for recovery. He is reported to be getting along nicely at this time.

The accident happened about nine o'clock Thursday evening on track number nine. Ayers and Peter Rea were trying to cross the track, through a string of cars. Rea crossed by climbing over the connecting rod between the two cars, but Ayers, being dressed for the cold weather and weighted down with considerable clothing, decided to get across by crawling between the wheels.

Just at the minute Ayers was on the rails making an effort to cross the track a switch engine bumped the string of cars standing on track nine. While the car wheels did not pass over the limbs, Ayers was shoved some distance, his legs being so badly smashed that it was necessary to have them amputated. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital in the Darling ambulance. The operation was performed Friday morning by Dr. C. E. Hershman, the Burlington physician here.

## CHARLEY POOL FOR NAT'L REPRESENTATIVE

Present Secretary of State Suggested as Candidate for Representative from 6th Cong. Dis

"Who is the man who will take the political measure of Moses P. Inkaid. That question has been asked repeatedly and after each election the answer has been that right man has not been found. During late years such good strong men as W. J. Taylor, Frank J. Taylor and Edward McDermott have tried the almost hopeless task, and they have failed to dislodge the present member in congress from the Sixth district.

"The question now arises: Who is the man who can turn the trick? The phonograph will name a man who we believe can do the trick, and while it appears almost impossible we believe this man can do the trick

Charles W. Pool, of Hyannis, and present Secretary of State in this great commonwealth. Do you believe we are right? Charlie Pool is the greatest vote getter in the state of Nebraska, as far as Democratic votes are concerned and we believe he can secure the election in this district two years hence."

## JOB OPEN AT THE POSTOFFICE

Chance for Someone in Alliance to Land Good Job—Who Wants to Be Clerk-Carrier?

It would seem that there ought to be a number of men in Alliance who would be glad of the opportunity to work for Uncle Sam as a clerk or carrier at the Alliance postoffice. Yet this job goes a begging. The civil service examination to have been held January 27 has been postponed until Saturday, February 24.

The civil service examination for clerk or carrier is not a hard one by any means. The examination is in fact an easy one. This job does not require a college graduate, or a high school graduate, or any particularly lengthy education. Almost any man with a common school education ought to pass it easily. The pay is reasonably good and not stationary. F. W. Hicks, of the local civil service board, will be pleased to explain the matter in detail to all who will ask him for information. He may be found at the postoffice every day. Just go to the window and inquire for "Mr. Hicks."

**Job at North Platte, Too**  
There is an opening in the civil service for an elevator conductor to be stationed at North Platte, Nebraska. The examination will be held here Saturday, February 17. Mr. Hicks will give you information as to this position if you will but ask him.

The local civil service board is giving examinations almost every week for one thing or another. Have you ever thought you would like to work for Uncle Sam. Watch The Herald for announcements of examinations, or see Mr. Hicks. He may be able to help you. It costs nothing to take the examination. If you pass you have a job sooner or later, and if you don't—well, no one is any wiser and you are out nothing.

### Other Openings

Without going into details other

given in Alliance in the near future, the title of the position and the salary attached, the Herald herewith presents a long list of positions open. You can get detailed information either from the Herald or from Mr. Hicks.

**February 18, 1917**  
Marine draftsman (male), Panama canal service, \$125 to \$150 a month.

**February 20, 1917**  
Stenographer and typewriter for field service (male or female).  
Explosives chemist (male), \$3,200 per year.  
Tinner (male) \$840 a year.  
Tinner and sheet metal worker (male), \$4.40 per diem.  
Mechanical draftsman (male), \$1,000 to \$1,200 per year.  
Assistant, Office of Information (male), \$1,800 to \$2,500 per year.  
Assistant chief, Office of Markets and Rural Organization (male), \$4,000 a year.

**February 26, 1917**  
Expert radio aid (male) (aviation), \$6 per diem.  
Chief petroleum technologist (male), \$4,800 a year.

**February 27, 1917**  
Sub-inspector of ordnance (male), \$4.48 per diem.  
Biological assistant (male), \$900 to \$1,200 per year.  
Passenger rate clerk (male), \$100 a month.  
Freight clerk (male), \$100 a month.

Assistant in assay laboratory (male), \$1,200 a year.  
Apprentice draftsman (male), \$480 a year.  
Laboratorian (qualified in electrical science) (male), \$1.24 per diem.  
Library assistant (male or female) \$3.94 per diem.  
Junior chemist, qualified in fuel (male), \$1,020 per year.  
Biological assistant (male), \$900 to \$1,200 per year.

**February 27-28, 1917**  
Assistant engineer in forest products (male), \$900 to \$1,200 per year.  
Assistant chemist (male), \$1,350 to \$1,500 per year.

Laboratory assistant, qualified in petrography (male), one at \$1,800 and one at \$1,200 per year.  
Hull draftsman (male) \$1,500 per year.  
Architectural assistant in forest products (male), \$1,500 per year.

**March 6, 1917**  
Metallurgist (male), \$2,400 to \$3,300 per year.  
**March 7, 1917**  
Assistant oil inspector (male), \$1,400 per year.

### INTIMATED THAT SWITZERLAND WON'T ACCEDE

Washington—Spain and Switzerland will probably not accede to the suggestions of President Wilson, that

# There is Something For You in the Herald's Magazine This Week

"The Tragedy of Thomas Hearne", which starts in this week's issue of the Herald magazine, deals with that sad underworld of crime. A gentleman born and bred who had slipped down the ladder from running his own horses to dodging the police as a bookmaker's tout. A half-and-half man—too lazily clever to be quite honest, and too honest to be quite a criminal. A good man gone wrong. But let Inspector Peace tell you the story.

It is full of surprises. It is a man's story, but everyone will like it. It is another of the series of stories under the "overhead" title of "The Chronicles of Addington Peace." Addington Peace is the same type of man as Sherlock Holmes. The series is from the pen of B. Fletcher Robinson, co-author with Sir A. Conan Doyle of "The Hound of the Baskervilles," etc.

That gripping story by Robert W. Chambers, "The Fire Warden," is included in this issue of the Herald magazine. There is a complete synopsis.

### GERMAN EDITORS EXPRESS SURPRISE

Berlin—The severance of the relations between the United States and Germany was a surprise to the editors of German newspapers, according to editorial opinions expressed. Some of them do not believe that the German-Americans in the United States will support President Wilson.

Set the Example.  
No longer talk at all about the kind of man that a good man ought to be but be such.—Marcus Aurelius.

### PRESIDENT GWEN UNLIMITED POWER

Washington, D. C.—The farthest reaching legislation ever introduced at one time in both branches of Congress was reported favorably to the House by Chairman Padgett of the naval committee to the House. It authorizes the president to command-

opsis. You can start and finish the story in this issue.

Never has a story created such general interest as "The Air Pilot," the story of the mysterious disappearance of the Dessaud monoplane advertised to appear at the Chicago Aviation Meet. There is a girl in the story. She is a reporter. She is a real girl. Nothing daunts her. Randall Parrish knows how to hold your interest, that is certain. Those who are reading "The Air Pilot" are anxious for this installment. If you are not reading it, start today. A complete synopsis of what has gone before appears at the top of the story.

These stories are getting hold of our readers. They are all by well-known authors. No magazine anywhere presents contributions from any better authors than Robert W. Chambers, B. Fletcher Robinson and Randall Parrish. The good things to appear in the Herald magazine are just starting. Get interested.

the neutral nations sever their relations with Germany, according to a reliable report. This course will probably be based on the fact that they are serving both Americans and Germany.

### TWO BRITISH BOATS ARE SUBMARINED

London.—The British ship Floridan has been sunk. Sixteen of the crew have been saved. The British boat, Werley Pickering, was also submerged.

### BILL WOULD DRAFT RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

Washington, D. C.—The committee on interstate railway affairs in the House, reported the Adamson railway bill, favorably. This bill provides for a draft of railway employes into military service in time of war, enlarging the meditation board for the settlement of disputes.

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# CLOSING OUT SALE!

Having sold my ranch I will sell at Public Auction at my old place 3 miles east and 3 miles north of Alliance, Nebraska, on

# Tuesday, Febr. 20, 1917

Free Lunch at Eleven (11) O'clock. Sale to start immediately after. The following described property.

## 58 Head of Live Stock

CONSISTING OF 50 HEAD OF CATTLE:  
20 Cows from three to six years. Some fresh and all to be fresh soon.  
5 Two-year-old Steers.  
8 Coming yearling Steers.  
7 Two-year-old Heifers coming fresh.  
10 Yearling Heifers.

## 8 HEAD OF HORSES

1 Black Mare six years old, weight 1400 lbs., broke and in foal.  
1 Sorrel Mare, eight years old, weight 1400 lbs., broke.  
1 Bay Mare, smooth mouth, weight 1200 lbs.  
1 Black Horse, smooth mouth, weight 1200 lbs.  
1 Two-year-old Mare, good.  
1 Two-year-old Gelding, good.  
1 Yearling Mare, good.  
1 Bay Mare, smooth mouth, weight 1200 lbs.

## 4 Dozen Chickens

TERMS:—\$15.00 and under cash, over that amount 12 months' time on notes satisfactory to the clerk, drawing 8 per cent interest from date.

# FRED PAHLOW, Owner

H. P. COURSEY, Auctioneer Alliance, Nebraska F. J. WAS, Clerk 1st Nat'l Bank

## Farm Machinery

2 Farm Wagons.  
1 Top Buggy.  
2 McCormick Mowers.  
1 Hay Rake.  
1 Sweep.  
1 Hay Stacker.  
1 Riding Plow with breaking attachment.  
1 Riding Cultivator.  
4-Section Steel Harrow.  
1 Endgate Seeder.  
1 Disc Harrow.  
1 Corn Grinder.  
1 Road Scraper.  
4 Sets Work Harness.  
3 Sets leather Flynets, new.  
1 Saddle.  
1 Grind stone.  
1 Pile Snapped Corn.  
150 Bushels Oats.  
Several Tons of Prairie and Alfalfa Hay in stack.  
Ford Touring Car, 1915 model, in first-class condition.  
Household Goods, small Tools and other articles too numerous to mention.